

Docket No. 196743US2

IN RE APPLICATION OF Tsutomu HIRAKI

SERIAL NO: 09/655,304

FILED: September 5, 2000

FOR: TRANSFER APPARATUS AND ACCOMMODATING APPARATUS FOR SEMICONDUCTOR PROCESS,  
AND SEMICONDUCTOR PROCESSING SYSTEM

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ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required  
 Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.  
 Additional documents filed herewith:

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CLAIMS	CLAIMS REMAINING		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID	NO. EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	CALCULATIONS
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INDEPENDENT	7	MINUS	8	0	x \$86 =	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS					+ \$290 =	\$0.00
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS						\$0.00
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AMENDMENT

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SIR:

In response to the Official Action dated July 30, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.

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